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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

The submission of the attached English language abstracts along with Japanese Patent Publication Nos. 63-286351, 5-95474, 5-183752 and 10-145615 constitute concise statements of relevance of the respective references.

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